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ARREST MADE IN 2006 MIRAMAR LAKE ATTEMPTED SEXUAL ASSAULT CASE

(San Diego) On December 8, 2006 at about 12:25 p.m. Northeastern Division officers responded to a call of a female jogger who reported that she had been attacked by a man at Miramar Lake.

The victim said she was jogging on the north side of the lake when the suspect grabbed her and forced her to the ground. The victim fought with the suspect and bit the suspect in the hand. She bit him so hard that when he pulled his hand away, two of her teeth were ripped from her mouth. DNA samples were taken from the victim's teeth and preserved as part of this incident. The victim was able to get away and call for help.

Crime Lab personnel ran the DNA in the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) but there was no match. Witness information led detectives to a man named Carlos Ceron Salazar 10/15/78. Detectives determined that Salazar had been deported. SDPD requested Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) notification if Salazar attempted to enter the U.S. again.

On December 22, 2008, Salazar was arrested by Escondido Police at about 1 a.m. for being drunk in public at 200 N. Escondido Avenue. EPD turned Salazar over to ICE agents who in turn notified SDPD detectives. A DNA sample was taken; that sample matched the one taken at the scene of the Miramar Lake attack. It also matched a DNA sample taken from a previous attack which occurred at 12700 Community Road in Poway in September 2004.

Detectives believe Salazar may have been involved in other attacks in the Lake Poway area. If you were a victim of this suspect, please contact either Detective Jose Baltz at the Poway Sheriff's Station (858) 513-2824 or Detective Greg Flood, SDPD Sex Crimes at (619) 531-2210.

Salazar was originally held at Correction Corporation of America (CCA), but has since been transferred to the San Diego Central Jail. Salazar's charges are: 220 PC assault with intent to commit rape; 203 PC mayhem; and 243.4(A) PC sexual battery.

Salazar is scheduled to be arraigned on December 31, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. in Superior Court.